

About Women's Aid

Leeds

In 1972, a group of local women set up Leeds Women's Aid to support women and children affected by domestic violence and abuse. In 1973, they opened the first women's refuge in the UK outside of London. 50 years later, Women's Aid Leeds continues to support families affected by domestic violence and abuse to live safe lives, free from abuse.

**7 women a month
are killed by a
current or former
partner in
England and
Wales (March
2015 Crime
Survey for
England and
Wales)**

1,300,000

women suffer from
domestic abuse every
year in the UK

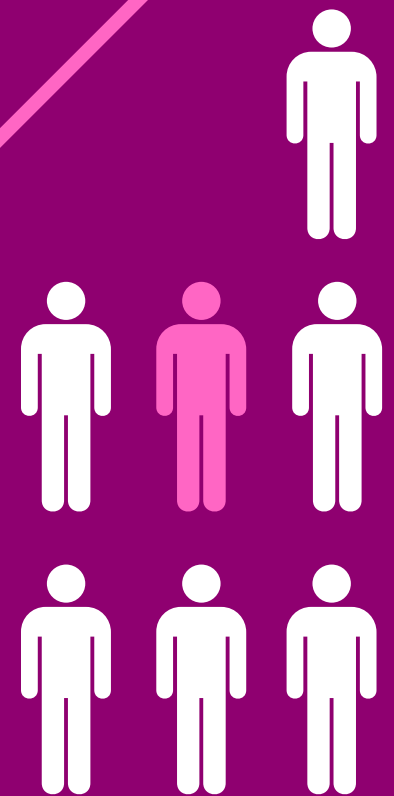
19,000

incidents of DV & A were
reported to the police in
Leeds in 2017



1 in 4 women experience domestic violence over their lifetime.

(Office of National Statistics, 2016)



1 in 7 children and young people under the age of 18 will have lived with domestic violence at some point in their childhood.

(NSPCC and Refuge 2011)